



**UNITED STATES POSTAL SERVICE  
OFFICE OF INSPECTOR GENERAL**

1735 NORTH LYNN STREET  
SUITE 10000  
ARLINGTON, VA 22209-2020

**CASE #:** 06UIRF1299CI2IO

**CROSS REFERENCE #:** 051219HAL020

**TITLE:** (b)(7)(C)

**CASE AGENT (if different from prepared by):**

**REPORT OF INVESTIGATION**

**PERIOD COVERED:** FROM December 29, 2005 TO January 18, 2006

**STATUS OF CASE:** CLOSED INVESTIGATION

**JOINT AGENCIES:**

N/A

**DISTRIBUTION:**

(b)(7)(C) Program Manager, Merrifield Engineering

<b>PREPARED BY: SPECIAL AGENT</b> (b)(7)(C)	<b>DATE: 5/25/2006</b>
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## I. PREDICATION

On December 19, 2005, the U.S. Postal Service, Office of Inspector General, Hotline, received a complaint that (b)(7)(C) a contract employee (b)(7)(C) quit November 25, 2005, at the Merrifield Engineering, 8403 Lee Highway, Merrifield, VA and deleted a number of sensitive files before she left. The caller alleged that (b)(7)(C) may have taken the files to sell or barter to a competing vendor (b)(7)(C) has the current contract). The caller further alleged no one has been able to reach her since she sent a one-line certified letter to (b)(7)(C) saying she resigned.

## II. POTENTIAL VIOLATIONS

N/A

## III. SYNOPSIS

(b)(7)(C) back-up program manger for the Contract Postal Unit Technology (CPUT), Merrifield Engineering, Merrifield, VA, was interviewed and advised he obtained copies of all (b)(7)(C) files/documents. He subsequently provided the files to management.

## IV. BACKGROUND

(b)(7)(C)

## V. SUPPORTING DETAILS

On December 30, 2005, (b)(7)(C) was interviewed regarding the missing files. (b)(7)(C) stated he had been unable to locate the missing files. He stated back-up program manager (b)(7)(C) advised him that he had copies of all the files. (b)(7)(C) stated that on numerous occasions he has requested the files/data from (b)(7)(C) but (b)(7)(C) had not complied with his request. A copy of (b)(7)(C); (b)(3)-Pub. L. interview is (**Exhibit 1**).

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On January 5, 2006, (b)(7)(C) contacted SA (b)(7)(C) via email and advised all CPUT documentation are accounted for. A copy of the email is **(Exhibit 3)**.

## **VI. DISPOSITION**

This investigation is closed. No action was taken by Postal Service management.

## VII. EXHIBITS

1. MOI of (b)(7)(C);  
(b)(7)(3); Pub L dated December 30, 2005
2. MOI of (b)(7)(C);  
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This investigation is being referred to Postal Service management for any action deem appropriate.

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